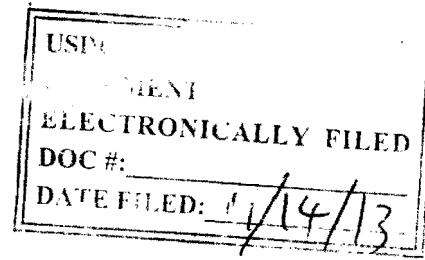


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



John T. Metcalf, and Lawrence Doppelt and Manny Doppelt, as Co-Trustees of the Frederick Doppelt Trust, derivatively on behalf of Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc.,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

Sophocles N. Zoullas, Alexis P. Zoullas, Douglas P. Haensel, Jon Tomasson, Joseph M. Cianciolo, David B. Hiley, Thomas B. Winmill, Forrest E. Wylie, Alan S. Ginsberg,

Defendants,

and

Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc.,
Nominal Defendant.

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C.A. NO. 11-CV-3996-AKH

ORDER AND FINAL JUDGMENT

*7 Septemper 2013, at
14 November*

WHEREAS, a hearing was held before this Court on 14 November, 2013 pursuant to this Court's Scheduling Order With Respect to Notice and Settlement Hearing, dated June 18, 2013 (the "Scheduling Order"), and upon a Stipulation of Compromise and Settlement dated June 14, 2013 (the "Stipulation") outlining a settlement of the above-captioned action, and a related action before this Court, *John T. Metcalf v. Sophocles N. Zoullas, et al.*, Civil Action No. 11-CV-7728-AKH (together with the above-referenced action, the "Actions"), which is incorporated herein by reference. The parties appeared by their attorneys of

record. The Court heard and considered the submissions and evidence presented in support of the proposed settlement and the applications for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses. The opportunity to be heard was given to all other persons requesting to be heard in accordance with the Scheduling Order. The Court considered, among other matters, the benefits of the proposed Stipulation and the risks, complexity, expense and probable duration of further litigation. The proposed Stipulation and the applications for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses were heard and considered by the Court.

This Order and Final Judgment ("Judgment") incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and, unless otherwise defined, all capitalized terms shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Stipulation.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, this 14 day of

November, 2013 that:

1. The Court finds that Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel have adequately represented the interests of Eagle Bulk Shipping Inc. ("Eagle" or the "Company") and its stockholders with respect to the Actions, the claims asserted, and all Released Claims.

2. The Court finds that the Stipulation is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of Eagle and its stockholders.

3. This Court approves the Stipulation in all respects, and the parties are directed to consummate the settlement in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation. The Court shall enter and docket this Judgment.

4. The Notice of Proposed Settlement of Action (the "Notice") has been given to all current stockholders of the Company pursuant to and in the manner directed by the Scheduling Order, proof of mailing, and other dissemination of the Notice was filed with the Court and full

opportunity to be heard has been offered to all parties, current stockholders of the Company, and persons in interest. The Court finds that the form and means of the Notice was the best notice practicable under the circumstances and was given in full compliance with the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. Proc. Rule 23.1 and due process of law, and that all stockholders of Eagle are bound by the release of the derivative claims pursuant to this Judgment.

5. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Actions, including all matters necessary to effectuate the Stipulation and this Judgment and over all parties to the Actions, including Plaintiffs, and all Defendants (including nominal defendant Eagle).

6. These Actions and all claims contained therein, as well as all of the Released Claims, are dismissed with prejudice. As between Plaintiffs and Defendants, the parties are to bear their own costs, except as otherwise provided in the Stipulation and in this Judgment.

7. Except as otherwise provided in the Stipulation, Plaintiffs (on their own behalf and derivatively on behalf of Eagle Bulk) and Eagle Bulk, fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish and discharge the Released Persons from any and all of the Released Claims.

8. Except as otherwise provided in the Stipulation, each of Related Persons, by operation of this Judgment, fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish and discharge Plaintiffs and Eagle from any and all claims arising from the institution or prosecution of these Actions.

9. Except as otherwise provided in the Stipulation, the parties (including Eagle) are permanently and finally enjoined from instituting, commencing, prosecuting, continuing, or in any way participating in, whether directly or indirectly, representatively, individually, derivatively on behalf of Eagle, or in any other capacity, any action or other proceeding asserting any Released Claims against any or all of the Released Persons or any party, or their respective attorneys.

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*plus expenses may be shown
and to be added at the rate of ten
percent, not exceeding \$65,000.*

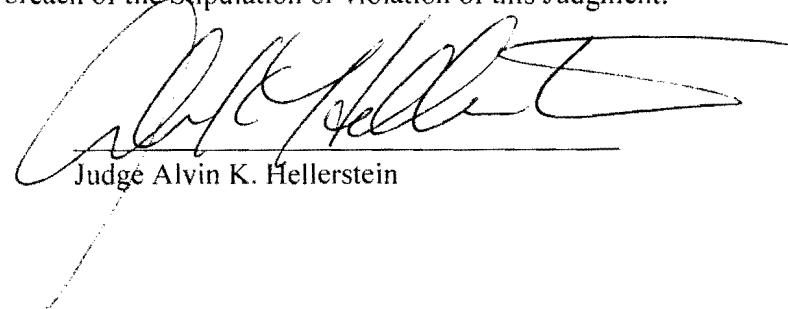
10. Nothing in this Judgment shall in any way impair or restrict the rights of the Defendants (including nominal defendant Eagle) regarding any Reserved Claims, or the rights of any party to enforce the terms of the Stipulation.

11. *All* Plaintiffs' Counsel are awarded attorneys' fees and expenses in the sum of \$1,000,000 *(to be allocated among counsel as they agree or, failing agreement, as I may decide)*, and New York Counsel are awarded attorneys' fees and expenses in the sum of \$, to be paid by Eagle, which amounts the Court finds to be fair and reasonable, to be paid in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation.

12. Neither the Stipulation, this Judgment, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Stipulation: (a) is or may be deemed or offered or received in evidence as a presumption, a concession, or an admission of any fault, liability, or wrongdoing, and except as required to enforce this Stipulation, shall not be offered or received in evidence or otherwise used by any party in any action, whether civil, criminal, or administrative; or (b) shall be interpreted as an admission of liability or wrongdoing on the part of the Individual Defendants, nor an admission on the part of Plaintiffs of any lack of merit of the claims asserted in these Actions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Eagle and any of the Individual Defendants may file the Stipulation, or any judgment or order of the Court related hereto, in any action that has been or may be brought against them, in order to support a claim or defense based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim.

13. Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, the Court reserves jurisdiction over all matters and disputes relating to the Stipulation and this Judgment, and may enter additional orders as may from time to time be necessary to implement and enforce the

Stipulation and this Judgment. Nothing herein dismisses or releases any claim by or against any party to the Stipulation arising out of a breach of the Stipulation or violation of this Judgment.



Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein